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REQUEST TO HIRE AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS OF THE COUNTY'S JUVENILE INDIGENT DEFENSE SYSTEM (ITEM NO. 6, AGENDA OF FEBRUARY 11, 2014)

On February 11, 2014, as part of a substitute motion, the Board directed the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), in collaboration with the Auditor-Controller (A-C), to hire an outside consultant to conduct an analysis of the County's juvenile indigent defense system and to report back within 60 days on proposed recommendations to improve the current system for consideration by the Board.

On April 16, 2014, the CEO informed the Board that the selection of a consultant through a competitive solicitation process could take up to 12 months to complete. We further informed the Board that the 12-month Request for Proposal (RFP) process did not include time necessary for the consultant to perform the study. Ultimately, it was determined that the CEO should move forward with identifying and selecting a consultant via a Delegated Authority Agreement (DAA).

The DAA selection process included conducting a review of the CEO and A-C Master Agreement Lists and obtaining potential recommendations from juvenile defense subject matter experts in the Offices of the Public Defender and Alternate Public Defender and the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

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On June 13, 2014, information regarding the requested juvenile indigent system analysis was sent to 16 candidates with expertise in the area of juvenile defense (Attachment I). In response to the CEO and A-C outreach, three proposals were received from Harvey Rose, National Juvenile Defense Center, and Warren Institute/The Regents of the University of California, Berkeley Law (Regents). Evaluators from the CEO, A-C, and County Counsel reviewed the proposals which included telephone interviews. The Regents was determined to be the most responsive bidder and possessed the requisite skills and qualifications needed to conduct the requested analysis.

On August 20, 2014, CEO and A-C staff briefed the Justice Deputies regarding the status of this assignment, including the selection process and that negotiation with the Regents on the final contract was underway.

On January 12, 2015, an agreement was fully-executed between the County and the Regents. Subsequently, services commenced, specifically Deliverable 1: In Person Meeting; Deliverable 2: Resource Study; and Deliverable 3: Training, Support, and Compensation Study (Attachment II).

We will continue to update the Board on the status of this project on a quarterly basis. If you have any questions, please contact Sheila Williams, CEO Public Safety, at (213) 974-1155 or Arlene Barrera, Auditor-Controller, at (213) 974-0729.

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Attachments

c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
 County Counsel
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 Auditor-Controller
 Public Defender

ATTACHMENT I

**JUVENILE INDIGENT DEFENSE SYSTEM ANALYSIS
CONSULTANT SOLICITATION CANDIDATES LIST**

				Submitted	Not	No	Date of Follow
	Last Name	First Name	Company	Proposal	Interested	Response	Up Call
1	Gold	Jack	Retired Commissioner	No	X		
2	Brousseau	Fred	Harvey Rose	Yes			
3	Burrell (a)	Sue	Youth Law Center - San Francisco	Yes			
4	Henning (a)	Kristin	Georgetown Law Center	Yes			
5	Scali (a)	Mary Ann	National Juvenile Defender Center	Yes			
6	Calvin	Elizabeth	Human Rights Watch	No	X		7/1/2014
7	Florio	Katie	Community Resources for Justice	No	X		
8	Herz	Denise	Cal State Los Angeles - Professor	No	X		
9	Krisberg (b)	Barry	Warren Institute at UC Berkeley	Yes			
10	Russi (b)	Andrea	Warren Institute at UC Berkeley	Yes			
11	Lee	Gibson	Sat on Long Beach Juvenile Court	No	X		
12	Lefstein	Norman	Indiana University - Professor	No			7/2/2014
13	Mills	Cecil	Retired - Judge	No			No Phone Number
14	Moore	Randy	(unknown)	No		X	7/1/2014
15	Patel	Samir	Los Angeles Public Counsel	No	X		
16	Tucker	Marcus	Retired Commissioner	No	X		

NOTES:

(a) Mary Ann Scali submitted a Proposal and will partner with Sue Burrell and Kristin Henning.

(b) Barry Krisber submitted a Proposal and will have Andrea Russi on his team as Project Director. Andrea Russi did not submit a proposal.

**JUVENILE INDIGENT DEFENSE SYSTEM ANALYSIS
QUARTERLY REPORT – JANUARY 2015
PROJECT STATUS SUMMARY**

DELIVERABLE(S)	TASK(S)	STATUS
Deliverable 1	Task 1: In-Person Meeting	Contractor has initiated the outreach to establish the correct contact persons regarding the necessary data, and has been in conversations with these contacts. Contractor has identified some of the electronic and other data that is needed, and is the process of learning about the existence of more data. As information is learned, that data is being requested.
Deliverable 2	Tasks 2,3, & 4 Resource Study	<p>In response to Paragraphs a, b, & c of the Board Motion:</p> <p>Made contact with Court staff including Presiding Judge, Judge, Operations Deputy; County Staff from the office of Public Defender, Alternate Public Defender.</p> <p>Began discussion with Court Operations Deputy regarding the process for accessing/requesting court data.</p> <p>Conducted interviews with five of the eight County's juvenile defense panel attorney contractors.</p> <p>NOTE: All Conversations and interviews ongoing and will continue over the course of the next few months.</p>
Deliverable 3	Tasks 5, 6, & 7 Training, Support and Compensation Study	<p>In response to Paragraphs d, e, & f of the Board Motion:</p> <p>Contractor has identified staff support to assist with data collection. Contractor has identified who within the Office of the Public Defender and who within panel counsel has most of the necessary data. Contractor is in the process of collecting information about and requesting that data.</p>